

**Virginia Department of Health
Pandemic Influenza Monthly Activity Report
October 6, 2008**

WORLDWIDE UPDATE

- The World Health Organization (WHO) retrospectively confirmed two cases of avian influenza A/H5N1 from Indonesia in September. Both ill individuals developed symptoms, were hospitalized and died in July. Both had exposure to live, sick or dead poultry prior to onset. The total number of confirmed cases now totals 387, including 245 deaths, for a case-fatality rate of 63.3 percent.

VDH ACTIVITIES – Central Office

- Commissioner and Director, Emergency Operations, Planning and Logistics met with the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (DHHS) to address readiness in the National Capitol Region. Discussion included preparations in response to Pandemic.
- Director Operations, Planning and Logistics participated in and presented information at the DHHS/Office of the Biomedical Advance Research and Development Authority (BARDA) Medical Countermeasures Enterprise Workshop.
- Commissioner and VDH Staff participated in a fact-finding visit with U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and The Association of State and Territorial Health Officers (ASTHO).
- Director Operations, Planning and Logistics is participating in a FDA review of antiviral distribution modalities. Focus will be on studying the content and impact of providing medical home kits.
- VDH kicked off its participation in the National Association of City and County Health Officials (NACCHO) Project Public Health Ready (PPHR). All Virginia local health districts will participate in this readiness assessment process based on achievement of national preparedness standards.
- Training sessions on the Countermeasure Response Administration (CRA) system were held by webinar. CRA, a web-based application that tracks patients and the countermeasures they receive during a public health event, allows for timely and complete reporting of PanFlu vaccine doses administered. The training, conducted by Division of Immunization staff with participation by local health departments (LHDs), included instructions for accessing CRA and recording patient level doses administered data. CRA will be used by 24 LHDs this fall during multiple mass vaccination exercises to record the administration of up to 12,000 doses of seasonal influenza vaccine, which will serve as a proxy for PanFlu vaccine. Patients receiving the free doses of vaccine will also be screened according to the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) priority groups.
- PanFlu Advisory Group meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 14 at the Holiday Inn Central, which is located at 3207 N. Boulevard in Richmond. If you plan to attend, please register for the meeting on TRAIN at <https://va.train.org>. Check-in on the 14th begins at 8:30am; the meeting starts at 9am and ends at 12:30pm.
- Planning continues Statewide FLUEX 20-21 Nov.
- Health Districts and EP&R Regions continue community outreach and coordinated PanFlu planning (refer to following VDH Pandemic Flu Activities Progress Report).

VDH ACTIVITIES – Regional Reports

- **Central Region**

- Trainer developed a Volunteer Management System (VMS) training curriculum for VDH staff and conducted training in September, with additional training sessions scheduled for October. VMS is an automated volunteer registration system that is capable of registering volunteers, tracking volunteer credentialing and training levels, as well as providing volunteer alerting capability. The use of VMS in a PanFlu emergency will be essential in providing the manpower necessary to support VDH emergency Point of Dispensing (POD) operations and other essential functions.
- Planner and Trainer continued to provide planning support for an upcoming Henrico County and Henrico County Health Department joint PanFlu Tabletop Exercise (TTX) scheduled for October 29. All members of the Central Regional team will participate in the exercise.
- All members of the Central Regional Team have completed ICS-300 training (Incident Command System for Expanding Incidents). This training would be essential to the Central Regional Team's role in a PanFlu outbreak in the Commonwealth.
- **Northern Region**
 - Planner met with Quantico Marine Corps Base (MCB) to discuss State PanFlu Plan and potential participation in the upcoming statewide PanFlu exercise.
 - In preparation for the CDC's multi-day, multi-state PanFlu exercise (postponed due to Hurricane Ike), Public Information Officer (PIO) reviewed the exercise scenario and compiled a variety of appropriate and approved public health messages and FAQs for use during the exercise. PIO was also scheduled to provide staff support to the VDH ECC.
- **Eastern Region**
 - PIO facilitated VDH PanFlu Risk Communication Training in Hampton and Norfolk.
 - Epidemiologist continues to work with the Mobile GIS Rapid Assessment Workgroup formed to address all hazards data collection and analysis, including pandemic influenza. Trimble GPS units have been acquired by the districts and a technical training is planned for October. Peninsula Health District Director and Planner have been instrumental in the ordering process and coordinating of the training with the ESRI vendor.
- **Southwest Region**
 - PIO facilitated Central Virginia Public Information Network meeting, which included information regarding the upcoming exercises which include the FluEx '08 statewide exercise.
 - Regional EP&R Team met and discussed upcoming PanFlu exercises and what role(s) would play in these exercises along with other regional avian influenza initiatives.
 - Planner served as the Exercise Moderator, Epidemiologist and PIO served as Facilitators, and Trainer coordinated Facilitators in assisting the Roanoke City/Alleghany Health District in delivering PanFlu TTX for Roanoke and Alleghany Districts.
 - PIO assisted the staff of the Joint Information Center (JIC) for Operation Thoroughbred Star VDEM emergency drill for Roanoke County and Norfolk Southern Railroad. This type of exercise would hone the JIC/PIO skills in the event of an actual avian influenza outbreak.
 - PIO is continuing to assist Districts in the Region with their respective seasonal flu campaign (news conference is October 8).

- Trainer co-facilitated two ICS-300 classes (one in Culpeper and one in Christiansburg) in conjunction with the Lord Fairfax District Planner and the SW Regional Planner. This training would be useful in the event of an avian influenza outbreak.
- Trainer coordinated a Disaster Behavioral Health Course, which provides participants knowledge that would be used in an outbreak situation.

VDH ACTIVITIES – Health District Reports

• Alexandria

- Continue to meet monthly with school systems pandemic planning group.
- Have made plans to include in FluEx'08 a conference call with Health Director, City Manager and Superintendent of Schools to exercise discussions concerning closures and other social distancing measures.
- Have reached tentative agreement with city on which city employees to train and how to train them as support to public health.
- Further refined Continuity of Operations plan (COOP) to take into account high absenteeism at VDH during a pandemic or other emergency.
- Focus continues to be on “special needs,” especially the medically vulnerable. FluEx'08 will concentrate on vaccinating this population. Began distributing the newly-produced, professionally-recorded CD covering general emergency preparedness and pandemic preparedness, including special needs populations.

• Arlington

- Held a meeting with our potential project collaborators at the Virginia Hospital Center and identified concerns about how to encourage local physicians to participate in mask fitting. Arlington Public Health will proceed with an orientation to the PortaCount system on October 16th inviting representatives from the hospital. This program will also provide an opportunity to hear about successful programs in other jurisdictions. Moving toward using a dedicated laptop for database management.
- Production of Pandemic Flu/Emergency Preparedness binders for medical offices is almost complete. Waiting for the CD/DVD inserts that contain information for community members in a variety of languages. The binders will be delivered to 187 medical offices by staff and MRC volunteers. This will help to achieve the one of the primary goals of this project to enhance the connections between Public Health and medical offices. Contractor has finished arranging the CDs and the master copy has been submitted to a disc reproducer. We will receive 500 copies which will be made available to medical offices and distributed to community sites and agencies.
- Posters and dioramas are ready to be displayed at Arlington Metro stations from November – February.
- Large foam board mounted reusable flu prevention posters in English and Spanish have been distributed to community centers, libraries, clinics, and selected schools. We have asked the different sites to display the posters in prominent locations and have also displayed posters throughout the Department of Human Services.
- Two large flu prevention outdoor banners have been produced and are ready for display.
- Samples of available flu prevention and response materials have been provided to the leadership of the Department of Human Services so that involved staff may learn what is available for their clients.
- Hand washing mirror reminders will be distributed to willing restaurants by staff from the Environmental Health Bureau.

- Student nurses affiliated with Arlington County will be bringing flu prevention materials to their outreach projects at various community sites.
- The Health Director's tips for businesses on flu preparedness have been placed on the County BizLaunch website.
- **Central Shenandoah**
 - Planner and Epidemiologist attended Bath County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) to give updates on the upcoming fall VDH statewide PanFlu exercise and other upcoming district training opportunities.
 - Planner attended Augusta County LEPC to give updates on the upcoming fall VDH statewide PanFlu exercise and the PPHR Program, which was well received by the County and Cities of Staunton and Waynesboro who will begin the process of updating all plans and to create a county-wide Emergency Response Plan that incorporates all responding agencies and partners into one.
 - Planner assisted Carilion-Stonewall Jackson Hospital with design and evaluation of an exercise to change over their hospital's phone system. During the test they activated their emergency plans, stood up the emergency operations center and tested other forms of communication.
 - Planner and Epidemiologist met with the Public Safety Director at the Shenandoah Valley Regional Airport to assist in the review of their airport Infectious Disease Plan.
 - Planner continues to work with District partners on the PUSH Memoranda of Understanding (MOUs) agreements. Two additional agreements were executed this month with two more pending.
- **Central Virginia**
 - District continues to coordinate its efforts on PanFlu response and preparedness with the community partners.
 - District team, consisting of the Planner, Epidemiologist and four Environmental staff, participated in the Roanoke Health District exercise. The team set up the Central Virginia Health District's Drive-Thru Point of Dispensing (POD) tent system during an exercise at the Salem City Civic Center.
- **Chesapeake**
 - Planner, EP&R Assistant, Medical Reserve Corps (MRC) Coordinator and Epidemiologist provided assistance to the Indian Creek Correctional Facility's staff in planning an upcoming PanFlu TTX. Planner, along with members of the City's Office of Emergency Management, helped to establish goals and objectives for the exercise; they also identified the necessary key players from the facility.
 - MRC Coordinator has organized several upcoming community outreach activities to raise PanFlu awareness, and, along with MRC volunteers, will be providing cough and sneeze etiquette education to local schools, churches and other organizations in the District, as well as providing six Flu Shot Clinics through out the city.
 - Epidemiologist submitted an article in the District's monthly newsletter entitled "Flu Vaccine." The article provided specific details about this year's flu vaccines, who should get vaccinated and the best time to get the vaccine.
- **Chesterfield**
 - Planning is underway for the District's participation in FLUEX '08. POD sites visited and assessed; preliminary plans begun.
 - Planner presented on emergency preparedness planning to child care providers within the District. Included in the presentation was information about PanFlu and issues that providers should consider in their planning efforts.

- **Chickahominy**
 - Sent out information to all physicians, long term care facilities, etc., on seasonal flu.
 - Continued planning for flu dispensing exercise.
 - Gave presentation and provided Family and Personal Preparedness manuals to New Kent University students.
 - ICS Implementation meeting with key District staff.
- **Crater**
 - “Be a Germ Stopper, Before They Stop YOU!” campaign is making its rounds throughout the District. School nurses have requested presentations for their students in preparation for the upcoming flu season. Good Hygiene material was disseminated to the students in district schools. “Pandemic Influenza: Planning for the Possibility” has navigated in a different direction this month and focused on PanFlu, Influenza Preventatives and Infection Control.
 - Sixth edition of “The Flu Flash” newsletter was blast faxed to all primary care physicians, nursing homes and hospital infection control practitioners in the District, informing them of influenza updates and PanFlu tidbits. There were two very interesting stories featured this month. The first identified fruits and vegetables containing quercetin that if consumed may protect against contracting the flu. The second story covers a super-vaccine being produced whereby a person will need only one dose in a lifetime.
 - MRC information was disseminated during a VDOT Employee Preparedness Expo.
 - Crater MRC continued with its monthly meetings and training sessions. For the month of September, “Epidemiology 101” was offered, as well as orientation.
 - More “September is National Preparedness Month” Community Kits were issued to volunteers to disseminate in their communities and at work.
- **Cumberland Plateau**
 - EP&R Coordinator presented a PanFlu and Emergency Preparedness Program to the Daughters of the American Confederacy Group in Drill, VA.
 - Director, Epidemiologist, Nurse Supervisors/Manager, several Clerks, Planner and EP&R Coordinator participated in two joint teleconferences with Lenowisco to finalize plans for the 2008 “Flu Clues” Program for area Schools. The program provides in school flu vaccination for students and staff and provides for real world practice and familiarity for the District and school partners with the actual use of schools as vaccine delivery sites as planned/required for a pandemic or other large scale disease threat.
 - Epidemiologist, Emergency Planner and EP&R Coordinator are conducting Individualized Health Alert Network (HAN) trainings in District’s four county offices for all staff using the system.
 - Epidemiologist, EP&R Coordinator and two clerks participated in the CRA Polycom in preparation for the POD Exercise.
 - Planner met with local hospital to review their Emergency Operations Plan and PanFlu Plan.
 - Planner met with local Chapter of the American Red Cross to discuss District sheltering and mass care efforts during a PanFlu event.
 - Planner attended the Russell County Local Emergency Planning Committee to discuss all hazardous planning including PanFlu.
 - District is planning a PanFlu exercise and POD. Planner is facilitating a staging plan with a local hospital to prepare for emergency event such as PanFlu.

- ICS-100 training was provided to a local school system to help them prepare for an emergency event like PanFlu.
- EP&R Coordinator and Planner met with Dickenson County Public School Staff to assist in incorporating Pandemic Influenza preparedness planning efforts into the School Crisis, Emergency Management, and Medical Emergency Response Plan.
- Director, Epidemiologist, EP&R Coordinator and Regional PIO were instrumental in planning and production of regional TN/VA seasonal flu vaccination campaign “Keep Flu Out” involving key local PanFlu and infectious disease stakeholders through the Mountain Empire Epidemiology Task Force (MEETF), a voluntary association of NE Tennessee and Far Southwest Virginia Health Departments that works to bring attention to epidemiological concerns of regional interest. Significantly they have brought together the ETSU College of Public Health, Mountain States Health Alliance, James H. Quillen Veteran’s Affairs Medical Center, and Wellmont Health System in this joint multimedia outreach campaign. Lenowisco and Mount Rogers are also key MEETF planners and producers.
- **Eastern Shore**
 - Received 400 doses of influenza vaccine for exercise scheduled November 1. Preparing for drive-thru flu shot exercise, which will be held at Nandua high School.
 - Program Support Tech and Office Services Specialist participated in CRA webcast to learn about this year’s data entry procedure for flu exercise.
 - Sentinel physicians office selected and reported for this year’s flu season.
 - Planner solicited participation from key stakeholders for statewide exercise in November.
- **Fairfax**
 - Nothing to report.
- **Hampton**
 - Planner met with Rotary Club to discuss PanFlu and distributed local businesses’ response to business checklist.
 - Met with Langley Air Force Base, 1st Med Group and discussed PanFlu response and update to Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for treatment/assistance response.
 - Assisted with the Hampton University dispensing exercise, both as staff and patients.
 - Met with Health Services Coordinator for Hampton City Jail and Jail annex discussing PanFlu response and upcoming flu vaccination program. They are also interested in taking part in the FluEX in Nov.
 - Epidemiologist met with nursing, adult care and assisted living agencies, including Lassen House and Restoration Church, discussing PanFlu planning and response.
 - Met with Hampton City Public Schools discussing PanFlu response and school closings.
 - Met with Hampton University (HU) Schools of Pharmacy and Nursing about quick dispensing center (QDC) operations, set up and held QDC walkthrough. HU conducted a QDC exercise on campus, with the assistance of District and MRC staff. A second meeting scheduled in October.
 - Discussed PanFlu response with City of Hampton Public Safety Working Group
 - HAN recall held.
- **Henrico**
 - Planner continued to plan a PanFlu TTX, using Homeland Security Exercise Evaluation Program (HSEEP) guidelines, with County Emergency Manager and HSEEP consultant.

- Epidemiologist sent weekly avian influenza updates via email to community partners, and District sent monthly Public Health Bytes newsletter, which includes a Pandemic/Avian Flu update, to local healthcare facilities, medical providers, schools, first responders, county officials and other interested parties.
- MRC/PanFlu Coordinator continued MRC emergency preparedness training sessions for both eastern and western MRC units in Henrico county
- MRC/PanFlu Coordinator participated in VCU MPH career fair and presented PanFlu preparedness to students.
- **Lenowisco**
 - PanFlu, VDH Disaster Supply Kit list and National Preparedness Month Plan 9 materials were distributed by Health Educator at three different community outreach events attended by approximately 75 citizens.
 - Flu Clues registration materials were distributed to students in 32 public and private schools throughout the District. The vaccination clinics are scheduled for the second and third weeks of October.
 - Press releases have been distributed on Flu Clues and seasonal flu vaccination availability, and several meetings were held to discuss and plan the upcoming Flu Clues project.
 - Epidemiologist participated in Epidemiologist conference call on Influenza Surveillance.
 - Epidemiologist and Nurse Manager met with Scott County School principals to discuss upcoming Flu Clues project.
 - Provided Lenowisco Executive Planning Committee members with information on the November FLUEX 08 tabletop exercise and invited their participation.
 - Planner and clerical staff completed CRA training and received digital certificates for CRA data entry for upcoming FLUEX 08 exercises.
- **Lord Fairfax**
 - Planner, Epidemiologist, Nurse Manager, Environmental Health Manager and Business Office Manager attended the ICS 300 Polycom training and the two-day ICS 300 classroom training. This training will better prepare the District to staff its Operations Center and provide liaisons to local Emergency Operations Centers during large scale events such as a pandemic.
 - Planner, Nurse Manager and Epidemiologist began the process of notifying appointees to the restructured District Response Team. This team will be part of the Tiered Response concept developed to better manage District resources in an emergency. This first tier is the Incident Management Team, which will set the incident objectives and vision. The second tier is the Emergency Operations Center Liaison Team, which will carry out the strategies set forth by the Incident Management Team. The third level of the concept is the District Response Team who will be the staff serving as the field personnel carrying out operations in a public health emergency and mesh with other agencies and personnel to form Task Forces to respond to a public health or other type of event and bring the district in closer compliance with federal directive and the PPHR program.
 - Planner attended the Frederick/Winchester LEPC meeting which is the conduit between planning within the government and private sectors for Hazardous Materials Emergencies, but also provides links for other events that would be needed in the event or large scale community events such as and PanFlu. This meeting also serves as the Citizen Corps Council for Winchester and Frederick County which provides

- further partnerships with groups such as Volunteers in Policing and the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).
- Planner conducted security assessments of buildings in the City of Winchester and Frederick and Warren Counties to be used as Points of Dispensing for medications and vaccines during public health emergencies, such as a Pandemic, which will be added to the District Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) and PanFlu Response plans.
 - Met with Valley Health to begin planning of Operation Long Run. A TTX that will be conducted using telemedicine capabilities between three hospitals in Valley Health System, Winchester Medical Center, Warren Memorial Hospital and Shenandoah Memorial Hospital. This exercise will be conducted during the second day of FluEx 08 and will test the ability of the three hospitals to function for 96 hours independently of outside assistance to meet Joint Commission requirements.
 - Planner began drafting the district Exercise Plan for local participation in FluEx. The District exercise will be called the Public Health Incident Response Exercise..
 - **Loudoun**
 - Provided PanFlu presentation and handout information to members of the Shepherd Gate Church in Chantilly and PanFlu preparedness information to attendees of a local ICS class and new MRC members during an MRC orientation.
 - Continued distribution of PanFlu handout information to the community at: Purcellville and Sterling libraries, Ashburn Fire and Rescue pancake breakfast, Kaiser Permanente Health Care facility waiting rooms, Crossroads United Methodist Church ESL registration, Pleasant Valley United Methodist Church Fall Festival, Leesburg Costco Store, Bluemont Fair, Leesburg Corner Outlet Mall 50 Plus Shoppers Perks Day, Loudoun County transportation planning meeting and Lovettsville Oktoberfest.
 - Influenza article printed in the Loudoun Medical Group Fall Newsletter.
 - Influenza surveillance initiated for 2008-09 season.
 - **Mount Rogers**
 - Planner provided information to Bristol Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) meeting on pandemic and seasonal influenzas.
 - Planner coordinating with Washington County Emergency Management to develop/revise Emergency Support Function (ESF) #8 and PanFlu Annex of the local Emergency Operations Plan (EOP).
 - Planner presented PanFlu and emergency preparedness information to the Grayson County Public Schools' Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) class.
 - District staff coordinating with Wythe County Schools to conduct PanEX 08 out-of-sequence POD exercise, date to be determined.
 - Planner met with VDEM and CRA consultants to plan follow-up workshops based on feedback from the Southwest Virginia Disaster Preparedness Summit. Participants indicated they would like hands-on workshops to include: EOPs, COOP and School Crisis Management Planning. Each workshop will have a PanFlu component incorporated into the planning process. Participants will be invited to bring their emergency response and COOP plans to begin the revision process. Tentative date is December 10 with the location to be determined.
 - **New River**
 - Nothing to report.
 - **Norfolk**
 - Health Promotions staff attended the following events providing PanFlu family planning booklets, packets, and kits for community distribution: COGIC Senior High Rise Towers Health Fair; Centura College Student Health Fair; Old Dominion

- University Health Fair; Mayor's Community Leaders' Picnic; Lindenwood, Cottage Heights, Barraud Park Community Fairs.
- Planner and Epidemiologist met with Administrators, Nursing Directors, Operations, Maintenance and Safety staff at the following facilities: Harbour Point Medical and Rehabilitation Center; Autumn Care of Norfolk; Sentara Nursing Center; Ruxton Health of Norfolk; and, Saint Mary's Home for Disabled Children. Planner topics included: review of Emergency Operations Plans (EOP) to include PanFlu preparedness, EOP staff accessibility, drilling/exercising various areas within plans, evacuation procedures, patient relocation and transportation, Governor's order for mandatory evacuation (CAT 3 and higher), flooding, obtaining copy of floor plans and EOP and Continuity of Operations. Epidemiologist topics: influenza vaccination requirements and recommendations per CDC guidelines; health department availability for support and testing; and, influenza reporting requirements. Epidemiologist provided ten laminated CDC instructional influenza signs to the facilities.
 - **Peninsula**
 - Planner provided 300 PanFlu pamphlets to the York County CERT Coordinator for neighborhood activities.
 - Director and Planner met with the Riverside Health System Director of Emergency Preparedness and Vice President for Administration to discuss integration of jurisdictional, health department and health system plans for PanFlu. Referrals were also made to the Three Rivers HD Planner to coordinate for the Riverside hospitals in that District.
 - **Piedmont**
 - Delivered emergency preparedness presentation, including PanFlu preparedness information, to local social service department, community health fair and community day, faith-based group, family day event sponsored by electrical cooperative and a local senior citizens group.
 - Worked with two local school systems to develop policies regarding school closure due to PanFlu or other communicable diseases.
 - Worked with local partners in planning for dispensing exercise in October.
 - **Pittsylvania-Danville**
 - Nothing to report.
 - **Portsmouth**
 - Nothing to report.
 - **Prince William**
 - "Operation Osbourn Park" PanFlu PODs exercise is scheduled for October 28. Director, Planner and District staff continue to prepare with Prince William County (PWC) Schools, PWC Office of Emergency Management, PWC Police, Voluntary Action Center and MRC. Prince William Area Red Cross will provide and deliver lunch to exercise participants. Materials are being designed and printed for student/parent notification and permission. Health Education students and Special Education students classes selected for exercise. Hot Wash will be held in Osbourn Park Senior High School's large meeting room following ENDEX.
 - Ongoing exercise radio training is scheduled for District staff.
 - **Rappahannock**
 - District MRC members are assisting with the distribution of a commercially-produced self-study PanFlu DVD.

- Emergency Services Coordinator distributed PanFlu materials to the participants of the annual Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) Forum.
- Emergency Services Coordinator distributed PanFlu materials to the Area Agency on Aging for further distribution to clients.
- Emergency Services Coordinator distributed PanFlu materials at the Rappahannock Regional Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster's (VOAD) annual Preparedness Month public event.
- Emergency Services Coordinator distributed PanFlu materials at the Rappahannock Health Advisory Council.
- **Rappahannock-Rapidan**
 - District staff gave presentations on PanFlu and All Hazards Preparedness to three community groups and to VDOT employees during the month, as well as set up and manned displays on PanFlu and All Hazards Preparedness at four health fairs during the month.
 - District staff and MRC volunteers put together displays on PanFlu for preparedness month. Displays were delivered to town and county government offices, Senior Centers, libraries, Social Services and Health Departments in all five counties.
 - Planner participated in the Northern Virginia Emergency Response Drill with Fauquier Hospital as an evaluator.
 - District leadership staff attended ICS-300 training.
 - Materials for a preparedness/PanFlu mailing to churches and businesses were printed and mailer assembly began.
- **Richmond City**
 - Planning continues on upcoming District Fall Exercise in conjunction with FLUEX08.
 - Richmond City Sheriff's Department continues to provide on-going PanFlu training utilizing District-created PanFlu voiceover CD.
 - Planner provided PanFlu Update to VCU Healthcare Accelerated Students, an emergency preparedness/PanFlu update to VCU faculty and students, as well as an Emergency Preparedness Seminar at District's Staff Day. Planner also participated in Richmond City Emergency Management "Survivor Day" at Landmark Theater.
- **Roanoke/Alleghany County**
 - Epidemiologist and Planner attended Seniors Expo at the Roanoke Civic Center where they distributed PanFlu and Emergency Preparedness information to over 800.
 - Planner, Epidemiologist, Regional and District staff and community partners conducted PanFlu TTX at the Salem Civic Center. Lynchburg Planner displayed mobile drive-thru vaccination/dispensing tent.
- **Southside**
 - Distributed PanFlu and Infection Control outreach material to 350 Employees of American National Bank. Conducted PanFlu and Infection Control presentation to 26 employees at Gretna Meck Elec Coop. Packaged and mailed or delivered PanFlu and Infection Control outreach materials to a total of 156 churches (total of over 12,000 handouts distributed to date).
 - Met with Churches in the Church Pilot "Shut-in" program to prepare for upcoming flu season. PanFlu Educator met with the owner of United Steps group homes and presented PanFlu and Infection Control Information.
 - Trained MRC volunteers to conduct PanFlu and Infection Control presentations with in the community.

- Conducted a PanFlu and Infection Control presentation for 79 employees at Chase City Meck Elec Coop and 29 employees at Emporia Meck Elec Coop.
- Organizing county fair and local town event PanFlu and Infection Control outreach material handout.
- Scheduled PanFlu and Infection Control presentation for the HAM radio operators.
- **Thomas Jefferson**
 - Nothing to report.
- **Three Rivers**
 - Planner and Public Health Nurses distributed Handwashing Activity Booklets and Bathroom Mirror Stickers to all schools throughout the District and to attendees of the Mathews Market Days Festival. MRC volunteer went door to door, distributing Handwashing Bathroom Mirror Stickers to restaurants and other foodservice facilities throughout King William County.
 - Planner conducted “Introduction to PanFlu PowerPoint presentation to MRC volunteers.
- **Virginia Beach**
 - Individual hand sanitizer bottles have been purchased and received and are currently being distributed to the public during community events.
 - With the start of the new school year, conversations were initiated with Virginia Beach Public School Administration to incorporate a second “Good Hygiene” poster contest with school students.
 - Commonwealth’s PanFlu Exercise has been included into City of Virginia Beach’s WebEOC incident agenda in preparation for November’s exercise.
- **West Piedmont**
 - Planner distributed the monthly PanFlu newsletter to the three district planning groups and district staff; it contained a WHO statistical update and information on some of the vaccine tests that are being done.
 - Planner attended the Franklin County PanFlu Planning Group meeting, which included brainstorming on how to get an MRC started in the area.
 - Planner attended a PanFlu TTX in Salem for the Roanoke–Alleghany Health District as an observer/evaluator.
- **Western Tidewater**
 - Nothing to report.